150 Years Young By MARY TINLEY DALY

At Our House-

Today I glimpsed an answer to a puzzling mystery: the appeal and influence of Georgetown Visitation Convent - an appeal fasting through seven generations, and an influence

language of today?

that it world wide, Yat that aternational red brick building amack on the sidewalk of Stor street in old Caorge town, has als

WAYS Scenad by cloistered nuns suguninity ated like mye sell, an auster-Mary Daly

ity comparable its bleak exterior. Sill, there must be something

I thought of the "Georgetown siris" I'd known: the little leged to go behind that iron-



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living embodiment of "the little virtues" recommended by St. Frances de Sales, founder of their Order: "gentleness of heart, humility of spirit, simplicity of life and spiritual exercises.

We walked across the campus, past 200-year-old trees stopping to watch a hockey game, to see the flourishing free that grew from a pecan sent from Monticello by Thomas Jefferson. The past . . the present . . . they seemed as one. And as we bor. And Mary S. of the Class wşiked, Eleanor gave me a of '46 who organized a clean-up brief sketch of the history of crew to scrub the anartment of this oldest Catholic boarding a young couple expecting a baby. school for girls within the What is that intangible someterritory of what had been so thing, I wondered, that makes recently, when the convent service "a pleasure" in the more was established, the Thirteen formal speech of convent girls Colonies. For the convent in of the '90's and "fun" in the almost as old as the United States, and a whole year oldor than the Rederal City of

THIS AFTERNOON, with Washington. Eleanor Keating. I was privi-. .

FOUNDED IN 1799 by Father grilled front door. I discovered that the sternness is all on the Leonard Neale, S.J., then presioutside! There was a warm wel- dent of Georgetown College but come not only for Eleanor, be- later Archbishop of Baltimore, loved daughter of the Convent the school was a makeshift afand former president of the fair, and "The Three Plous Alumnae, but for me, a stranger. Ladies" waged a constant but And those "cloistered nuns"persistent battle against poverty. why, they are a friendly, serene. These ladies - Miss Alice Lalor, dent body. Surely they are the

> together again. They agreed to a life time. start a school at Georgetown F r a n k-and, in time, their community furt, Germany became a branch of the Visita. was our first tion Order partly because Fath a t o p. The er Neale thought "the little vir. plane dropped tues" of St. Francis were par down from an ticularly suited to the struggling evening sky so blue and clear young Republic. you could fill

During the war of 1812 nuns a fountain pen and pupils watched the burning of Washington, fearful for their tiny school which was struggling along and attracting more and more daughters of the carly settlers. In 1828, President John Quincy Adams approved the official charter to and in that instant became a teach and made the commencement address. And with the ytara came more and more pupils and, again, war, During the War Between the States

the dwindling school seemed doomed; but it survived that war too, and, in the flourishing years that followed, added new buildings and a junior college.

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Today, Visitation girls are pre- among the buildings' skeletons. to the street below pared to take their place in busi- Grim trademarks of war borness, professional or social life. dered each side of the wide ave-The course in medical secretary nue, giving the place the atmosship is particularly popular com- phere of a deserted village. bining, as it does, a thoroughly scientific training with that in- city's outskirts was soon forgot intermendous, almost terrifying, dunit to be the last stronghold describable "something" the ten as we approached the down gracious spirit of service an town section

gracious spirit of service an own method. Inheritance from "The Three Three There in the crowded square, but not sufficient pressure to In addition to seeking a ment Pious Ladies" of 150 years ago. the universal warmth of a welcome filled the mir as of a welcome filled the mir as turned on both faucets and they when it occurs in the upper Before we left we talked with our thirty fellow passengers only gasped at me in defiance

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PRINCESS AIDS BAZAAR



Princess Margaret of Denmark (above) heads the committee and takes an active part in the bazaar which was organized by Bishop Theodor Ansgar Suhr, O.S.B., Vicar Apostolic of Denmark. Foodstuffs and many needed articles were shipped from America with funds given the Bishop by friends during his recent visit to U.S.

in it Below

branches of trees.

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I stepped, oh so timidiy, from

typical tourist, obviously brand

ed by my looks of wide-eyed

A MODERN MOTOR bus

Teen Talks-First Stop -- Frankfurt

Here I come, ready or not, with the second installment try house for the dastardly mur-since 1841, the date of Poe's tail impediments, dispensations, the second installment is a source of the dastardly mur-since 1841, the date of Poe's tail impediments, dispensations, the second installment is a source of the second installed in the second installed is a source of the second installed is a sou Why, they are a tribuly, service indices - Miss Alice Lalor, iy happy group, from the young-and two widows, a Mrs. McDer and two widows, a Mrs. McDer had Europe.' My memories have just turned three weeks old and won Smoot' And the infinite sat. Abraham Lincoln and Oliver showing the reasons, supernatmet on shipboard coming to this are as yet showing no signs of

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country. Later fate, in the guise wear around the elbows, in fact, that made me ask myself where of Father Neale, brought them they are guaranteed good for I was Someone was whistling reaches for the cyanide (You'll greatest reliever of tensions and mendations, - and off key at that frag-

Texas" I turned around to see a G I, who was as tall as his drawl was long Yes, I was still in quoting some obscure quote good Frankfurt but there also was from the Latin Ovid goes back tion.

AT THIS STAGE of the game der mystery addicts may be old Father Time was pointing to large, they are a discriminating the wee hours of the morning and demanding crowd. Since the lights of Norma Defres, Dad and I made our weary way most of them fight their way the city twinkled brightly, teased down a street off the square to through the plot on the heels of

name that used every letter of cal plot with a fair solution. the alphabet at least once and i the plane into this other world some twice. A dear old porter, who was just on this side of seventy,

holated my bag to his shoulder and we climbed three flights of winding stairs (or a distance comparable to a small Alp) to my room,

brought us from the airport into the city and although Miss Post It was not luxurious but so would hate me, I scrambled for clean that a good quantity of a window seat. An eerie darkthe paint had surrendered itself tale of mayhem is a brain twistness lingered about the bombed to soap and water scrubbings, er. a problem of reason and ruins and its shadows played A large French window opened logic in which man can demon

THE OTHER furnishings in the room consisted of an old premise to conclusion Besides. fashioned wardrobe, an oil cloth The foreboding calm of the covered table and a bed with a leather comforter.

In one corner of the room was

-Women's Viewpoint-Just Gore, No More MARIE WEIDMAN .

There are about three thousand victims per year conveniently strangled, shot, poisoned or pushed off cliffs in order that the lot of us may be cozily entertained at our firesides ship and Marriage," a new book each evening.

he mentally pleases.

This number includes all those detective who sets the pace. hapless individuals who get Whether he be the insufferable marriage and to stem the mountthemselves polished off via the Wimsey of Dorothy Sayers or the charming Poirot of Agatha forty weekly

radio mystery shows, in detective novels. movies and crime magazines. Nothing seems to prove more absorb-

ing than a well turned out Marie Weldman murder mystery; the prospect, that is, of a blonde in black satin rendered defunct on her white fur rug by some exotic East In dian torture device can put any mystery fan into delicious anticipatory mood.

trepid eccentric of a delective

ments of "Deep in the Heart of never take me alive") and

Then the hero, the detective

the American army of occupation to his avocation of raising Bel gian Hares, orchids or Old Ned Although the numbers of murnow and again by the swaying our hotel. It had an impossible, the sleuth, they insist on a logi-

> Any n.ystery writer, for instance, who introduces a stray character in the last chapter as the murderer can go right back to sawing ladies in half or selling Fuller brushes. Such

strategy is just not cricket after a reader has sat out the plot to the bitter end.

IN ITS OWN simple way the strate his most characteristically human endowmen of going from no tale is done until right has won over the wrong so that we may possibly consider the who where justice obviously triumphs over evil

Stressed in New **Book on Marriage** Notre Dame, Ind. - "Court-

designed to prepare young peo-pre for a happy and successful ing tide of divorces, has been authored by the Rev. Dr. John A. Christie he controls the reader O'Brien, Professor of Religion completely, leading him by a at the University of Notre Dame.

ring thru his reason wherever ment of the meaning and obliga-Fashions in sleuths are tions of the married state, has changing somewhat, however. just been published by the St. The standard assortment of Anthony Guild Press of Pater-Ellery Queen and Nero Wolfe son, N. J.

is being slowly augmented by a group of hard-hitting private tion which recalls the divine oridetectives who seem eternally gin of marriage and its spiritual to impress all the female characters more than favorably. This Sam Spade type has an votes chapters in the new book acid disposition and constantly insists that this will be his last partner" "safeguarding chastity

case before he settles down on a mink farm in Patagonia, de ing harmony in married life." spite their rough hewn qualities Father O'Brien's book presents HOW QUICKLY DOES reality the private eyes do have a cer- an analysis of the Catholic retreat when we join some in- tain appeal and may soon out Church's stand on mixed mar-

isfaction the reader feels as Wendell Holmes right on dow ... ural and natural, that motivate some not-too-engaging character These tales are undoubtedly the the Church's rulings and recom-

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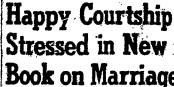
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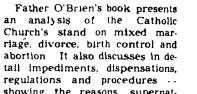


Rochester, N. Y.

The book. a forthright treat-

FOLLOWING AN introduc-

character. Father O'Brien deto such subjects as "choosing a during courtship" and "achiev-







Carles and the second

he nuns again, and it was easy were re-united with relatives to see that these women are they had not seen for twenty making a living chain of St ' years. Although I was only Francis de Sales' precept, writ glancing at it from the marten in the 17th century "Let gin, I saw one page of a hu-Hielr whole life and all their ac man interest story tender enough to tug a little at any tions tend to unite them to God one's heart strings. and to assist by their prayers

and good example Holy Church. That sentimental glow was Frankfurt into a denghiful city his income tax blank wouldn't and the salvation of their neigh sweet but short lived, however and I was more anxious than sell through the first edition

BALL GAMES

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PLAY-BY-PLAY REPORT

BY ADD PENFIELD

This was too much' A good levels of our society. In other words, fictionally we ask that night a sleep was my only hope all the blood stains be blue and nou

The next morning a persistent that the victim be pinioned by ray of sun beckoned me to get a Mororco-handled knife to his library chair any middle class up and take a peek out the I did and I was glad. Joe who gets dispatched by h | window Daylight had transformed bullet as he calmly makes out

From behind. I heard a sound ever to explore its charms.

We demand that our char acters be able to dreamily and oh-so-casually recognize a Picas so or a couplet by Pope They must generally be a bit sad

dened by human folly or al least that folly they may have glimpsed from the rear view. mirrors of their custom con vertibles. Their contreter ps. with violence always sobers them and occassionally a few venture apt aphorisms on the

wretchedness of the wealthy . . .

HOWEVER, IT IS really the

'50 Passion Play **Plans Progress**

Munich (NC). To pave the way for a successful perform ance of the famed Passion Play of Oberammergau next year Dr. James M Egan, chief of the religious affairs branch of the of fice of U. S. military government for Bavaria, has recommended that 800 eastern refugees now quartered in Oberammergau, he moved to Garn misch barracks thus making room in Oberammergau for Passion Play visitors.

The Bavarian government has guaranteed a million-mark credit which the Oberammergau municipality will use to finance the remodeling and repair of the Passion Play theater and also to provide better living quarters for the tourists expected.

Additional funds are to beraised by the issuance of a special Oberammergau Passion Play

postage stamp. All the men of Oberammergau who expect to take part in the Passion Play have been asked to

let their hair and beards grow from now on, so as to be ready to assume their parts when the rehearsals start late this fail.

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Remember Mother!

If you write us TODAY-there will still be time to send our attractive Gift Card to your mother—for Mother's Day, May 8th. It is the lovliest gift that you can give Your Mother-the Mass. You can even give it for-mothers who are gone. But, send the name, address and Mass offering-Today.

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Many American Bishops have instructed their priests to "Build a School Before You Build a Church" They know that without teachers -religious and lay-without schooling, there can be no Church of the future For the solid foundation of any Church-lowly Chapel or lofty Cathedral-was laid first, in the minds and hearts of the Faithful, by the teachers and schooling which the Faithful received Even though you have dreamed of building a Chapel and that is indeed a worthy ambition; remember the command of our bishops to their priests in America and help us to answer the appeal of Bishop Gabriel Naamo who begs a School in Hassetche in Northern Svria. One thousand dollars here will do more to extend the Kingdom of God. than any other investment you can make

NOW YOU HAVE THEM

Now that the Easter parade is finished, and you have proudly worn those Easter clothes—you have used clothes which you can spare for our Refugees Please ship them, at once, to our CNEWA Warehouse, Flushing Avenue Maspeth, L. I. Even one dollar sent to our office will be memory first abuse will help pay ocean freight charges.

SAINT MONICA VIELDS

St Monica—saintly mother of the penitent St Augustine—vields her place this year in the Church Calendar May 8th¹ to good St. Joseph But she still hopes that you will observe her feast with a donation to our MONICA GUILD. This do', ar-a-month club buys vestments, linens albs altar cloths for our Near East Churches For thirty dollars you can give a complete set of vestments-and they are sadly needed Will you

THREE-TEN

During Our Lady's Month of May we hope to ft' up Mary's Bank Ten cents a day totals three dollars and ten cents for the month. If one thousand lovers of Our Lady -will do this during May - we can support six Medical Mission Sisters who want to take courses at a recognized Medical Center to become Medical Supervisors-but lack the necessary funds Do this-please-in Mary's honor and in Mary's Name

IDICULA PNDUYATH

No-d is not a insprint, but the name of one of our five semi-narians at Mangalore India He will-please God and thanks to your generosity become a priest in one of the most fertile mission fields in the world today-with Archbishop Mar lyanios. He needs only one hundred dollars a year for the next six years—to complete his study and training By adopting this young levite You Will Make MANY CONVERTS FOR CHRIST You may pay his tuition in installments if you wish.

FINDING THE CROSS

Most of us do not have to go looking for Crosses. St Helena did' She wanted to find the True Cross on which Our Savior died. By a murai e it was discovered by her and the Church observes that discovery on May 3rd Father Kuriakose asks a large five foot cross for his new Jacobite Church. For fifty dollars we can send it to him -in your name and for your intentions.

BACK TO ROME

That fearless, wise and holy woman St. Catherine of Sirnna-feasted on April 30th— was not content until the Vicar of Christ left Avignon and came back to Rome Our organization was founded to help Our organization was founded to help Rome" Every stringless gift—one dollar to a hundred—heips us to Rome help the outcast, the hopeless and the helpless.

BRIEFS

A set of fifteen genuine Religous Postage Stamps goes to every con-tributor to our Cardinal's Refugee Fund . . . Mass Intentions are still the main support of our Refugee Priests. Send them to our office.

Send all communications to:

Catholic Near East Welfare Association 480 Lexington Ave. at 46th St. New York 17, N.Y.